

REMARKS

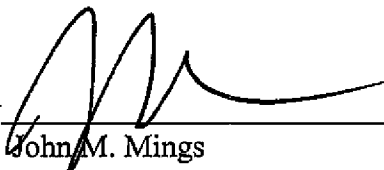
Claims 1-3, 5-23 and 25-28 are pending. All have been rejected.

Claims 1, 14, and 25 have been amended to substitute “consisting” for “consisting essentially” and to delete “in conjunction with the removal of any water.” The foregoing amendments overcome all rejections and place the claims in condition for allowance.

No fee is believed due with this response. If a fee is due, please charge such fee to Deposit Account No. 504817, under Order No. 032565.002906, from which the undersigned is authorized to draw.

Dated: December 15, 2009

Respectfully submitted,

By 
John M. Mings
Registration No.: 35,955
Baker & Hostetler LLP
1000 Louisiana, Suite 2000
Houston, Texas 77002
(713) 646-1380
(713) 751-1717 (Fax)
Attorney for Applicant